

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 7122

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF FARM LAND AND OPEN SPACE LAND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2007) A municipality may repay its
- 2 portion of a state matching grant for the preservation of farm land or
- 3 open space land in equal installments during the ten-year period after
- 4 the grant is made. If the grant is repaid in five years or less, no interest
- 5 on such grant shall be charged to the municipality. The interest rate
- 6 during the final four years of payment shall be the prime rate in effect
- 7 for the first day of the month such payment is due, minus one per cent.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	July 1, 2007		New section

Statement of Purpose:

To give towns greater flexibility in the repayment of matching state grants for the preservation of farm land and open space land.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]